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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Regulations Control Staff

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SUBJECT : Proposed [REDACTED] Compliance with CIA Security Regulations (Job 494-RHW)

1. The entire file submitted by you on the above subject is returned with the following suggestions:

a. Inasmuch as the suggestions of the Chief of Administration, DD/P, for the revision of this regulation are submitted as working level suggestions and not as official requirements for concurrence with the regulation and since the Director of Security does not agree with these suggestions, there are only two logical courses of action to be taken:

(1) The Director of Security can at this time ask for DD/P's formal views and try to persuade him to his point of view, or

(2) The regulation can be officially coordinated as written for concurrence or comment.

The choice between these two actions should rest with the Director of Security. As an alternate suggestion you could point out to the Director of Security that although Headquarters [REDACTED] limits the applicability of Headquarters regulations to Headquarters [REDACTED] installations, this does not mean that the policies and procedures in the Headquarters regulations are necessarily limited in their scope to Headquarters [REDACTED]

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If it is true, therefore, that the responsibilities of the Director of Security in this regulation do not apply to overseas activities, it would seem desirable to at least indicate the limited scope of the regulation. I suspect, however, that there actually is a policy disagreement here which will have to be resolved at a later date.

b. Regarding the ambiguities and inadequacies which you detect in the regulation, it seems that many of them can be readily resolved by the simple expedient of advising the Director of Security that it will be necessary to avoid the use of the single term "Office Chiefs" in the regulation. He should be asked to indicate wherever these words occur whether he is referring to the head of a major Agency component, the secondary level of supervision, or the immediate supervisor level. For each of these levels we have, as you know, developed fairly standardized language and this should be adhered to wherever possible.

c. With respect to your question raised in paragraph 6.b. this should be easy to accommodate by the insertion of the authority to issue security instructions and recommendations and the authority to conduct audits of security practices. I do not think it is proper to infer that the Director of Security has the actual authority to enforce security regulation. By

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limiting his authority, the right to issue security instructions and recommendations would avoid any conflict in command principles.

d. Regarding paragraph 6.c. this point has arisen in other security regulations particularly, as I recall, the one on internal office security routines. If we have properly identified an area security officer in that regulation, I believe the title can be properly carried over into other security regulations.

e. In connection with paragraphs 6.d. and e. it is obviously necessary to reconcile any actual inconsistencies between this regulation and other regulations. I am sure the Director of Security will immediately agree to correct any language which is inconsistent with approved procedures and channels. It would accordingly only be necessary to call each specific instance to his attention and to suggest and advise language.

2. Would you please attempt to handle the problems raised in your memorandum in this direct manner?

  
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